

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF
PETERBORO', N. H.,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MARCH 1, 1879.

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SCHOOL REPORT.

There has been manifest improvement in some of our district schools the past year. The demand for better qualified teachers has in part been met, and though not as fully equipped as we could have desired in education and experience, yet, as a whole, the teachers of our schools have done themselves credit in their work.

Some of our most successful teachers are graduates of our High School, and year by year the usefulness of that school, as a means to promote sound learning, is more and more apparent.

Some of our common schools are small in the number of their pupils, but the progress made has been very creditable. The teachers in these schools have labored with commendable diligence and a good degree of enthusiasm, and deserve the success that crowned their efforts.

In many districts, as in Nos. 9, 7, 5 and 1, the teachers of former terms were retained to the evident advantage of the schools they instructed; and the several districts could do no better than to secure, as far as possible, the same teachers for the ensuing year.

The discipline of the school in district No. 6, was healthy and useful, but we are assured that it might have been more exercised with advantage, the winter term, by the popular teacher of this school.

In district No. 9, a quiet but firm hand was carried and excellent instruction given; yet some boys of the unruly sort would have been benefited by having been brought under more severe discipline.

The grammar school in district No. 1, occasions more visits from the S. S. Committee, as well as prudential committee, than all the remaining schools in town. This for obvious reasons. It cripples all the efforts of the committee when children are permitted to be absent frequently, and tardy, as often. It also tends to destroy all the good government of the school for parents to make remarks derogatory to the teacher, in the presence of their children, or to remove their children from school for a slight cause.

The spirit of disobedience or insubordination in school must be severely curtailed, or there can be no healthy discipline. It is an easy matter to dismiss truant or disobedient scholars, but it is oftentimes just the thing that ought not to be done, for the best good of the scholars or the community.

The grammar school contains some promising scholars, and occupies a high position in the work of education in the town. We should prize it, and it ought to be of a character of which we should be proud. I am pleased with the work done the past year in this department of instruction, by the two very excellent teachers who have had it in charge. But the young gentlemen and ladies of this school cannot expect to pass their examinations successfully, so as to maintain their position, or to acquire correct habits of study, if their time out of school is entirely given to dissipating amusements. How desirable is it, also, that in all the activities of the school room and the associations of school and public life, the intercourse between scholars be such as shall promote *virtue* and correct *manners*! Scholars should never forget what is due the school to which they belong, and so demean themselves that their conduct will reflect honor upon themselves in the home and upon the street.

The other departments of district number one have done most satisfactory work the past year with the present arrangement of study, under the management of the two well tried and successful teachers of these schools.

We have encouraged the giving of more attention to spelling and writing, and less to the details of foreign geography in all the schools. Much valuable time has sometimes been thrown away by committing to memory the names of insignificant places,

for such study gives no real knowledge, and is of very little practical benefit.

District number two has built a very neat and convenient school house during the past season, which is a credit to the district and an ornament to the town.

The schools have just been presented with "material for reading;" consisting of papers and small books on "our dumb animals," by Mrs. J. J. Pickering, of Portsmouth, N. H., Secretary of the "State Auxiliary Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals."

In conclusion, let me say to all who prize a good education for their children: So far as possible let us aim to have the best of schools. Committees and parents should be united on this. We need the very best persons in every community to instruct and guide the destinies of our children. This determines the character of society. Teachers should work as well for honor, esteem and influence, as for wages, and the community should recognize such an aim. Let prudential committees give more care to the selection of teachers, and the parents give more time to visiting the schools, and show a more active co-operation with the teacher in advancing the highest interests of education, and we shall see marked progress made the coming years.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEES.

District No. 1,	{	JOHN R. MILLER,
	{	JOHN GATES,
	{	JOHN ROURKE.
District No. 2,		A. A. FARNSWORTH.
" "	3,	MICHAEL MEEGAN.
" "	4,	JOHN Q. ADAMS.
" "	5,	CHARLES H. VARNUM.
" "	6,	WYMAN CROSBY.
" "	7,	CHARLES WILDER.
" "	8,	CHARLES BARBER.
" "	9,	THOMAS HASKELL.
" "	10,	RUFUS R. STEARNS.
" "	11,	J. C. NAY.

HIGH SCHOOL.

PRINCIPALS,	{	1871—'76, T. P. Maryatt, A. B.
		1876—'77, L. C. Cornish, A. B.
		1877—, J. O. Tilton, A. B.
ASSISTANTS,	{	1873—'77, Miss Mary N. Thompson.
		1877—, Miss Georgia A. Lynch.

GRADUATES.

1874.

Dana M. Dustan,	Edward H. French,
Georgia A. Lynch,	Mary E. Buckminster,
Eben W. Jones,	Charles S. Barker,
Julia M. Buckminster,	Eunice E. Mears,
Sophia A. Taggart,	Henry F. Adams,
William A. Scott,	Charles T. Cragin.

1875.

Gilbert O. Barber,	Charles T. Tenney,
Hattie L. Pettengill,	Mary A. Tenney.

1876.

Linville H. Smith,	Frank L. Garfield,
Frank E. Nye,	James H. Hamill,
Frank P. Fisk,	Edna M. Barber,
Abbie Thayer,	William N. Cragin.

1877.

Elmer E. Ballou,	Lloyd L. Livingston,
Frank M. Kyes,	Ai S. Annis,
Will M. Macomber,	Charles D. Smith,
John P. Felt,	Edward W. Scott,
Irving E. Usher,	Rose E. Annis,
Clifford Gowing,	

1878.

Mary A. Gowing,	Mary A. Hamill,
Nellie S. Wilcox,	Flora J. Tubbs,
Ellen T. Brennan,	Minnie M. French,
Walter L. Townsend,	Mattie J. Hamilton,
Frank C. Bruce,	Lizzie M. Forbush,

SUMMARY.

Gentlemen,	27	Entered Normal School,	1
Ladies,	18	Entered Medical School,	1
Entered College,	2	Teachers,	16
Fitting for College,	2	From out of town,	5

Present number of Pupils :

Ladies, 31 ; Gentlemen, 29 ; total, 60.

The High School has now, we think, gained a place in the sympathies of the whole community. That it is all that such a school ought to be no one will, of course, venture to say ; yet its benefits are so apparent that few even of its former enemies would question or disparage them. It can be made more beneficial, and ultimately will, and is only waiting now to enter upon a career of higher service, for the people of the town to act with reference to it. Two facts are continually operating against it—one it may seem unkind to mention, but it ought to be confronted : A very considerable number of scholars who go there have not the natural qualifications to take worthily the prescribed course of study. They have not the scholarly capacity to appreciate the higher branches. They acquire, therefore, but a very superficial knowledge of them. Such scholars would employ their time far more profitably would they remain another year in the Grammar school, or take a partial course of one year in the High school, selecting a few of the more practical English studies, as Grammar, Physical Geography and Physiology. The other fact to which we allude is the meagre preparation with which large numbers seek admittance. Perhaps the majority enter too soon. Even good scholars for this reason find their tasks too difficult. The work which might otherwise be a pleasure is an irksome drudgery. Both these facts tend to keep down the standard of the school, for teacher and committee must adapt requirement to capacity. It may be said that the committee can rectify these evils by more comprehensive and more vigorous examinations. They will be very glad to do so when they can be reasonably sure that the sentiments of the community will sustain them.

The school continues under the earnest and efficient management of Mr. Tilton, assisted by Miss Lynch, who is a fine scholar and a conscientious and successful instructor.

TABULAR VIEW OF SUMMER AND FALL SCHOOLS.

DISTRICTS.		NAMES OF TEACHERS.	
1	1	Hattie A. French.	93231
1	2	" " "	124543
1	3	Abbie C. Robbe.	94134
2	3	" " "	124336
2	3	Fannie S. Washburn.	125744
2	3	" " "	113924
2	3	James H. Hamill.	121514
2	3	E. Loena Fairbanks.	101312
3	3	Hattie L. Pettengill.	8874
4	3	Florence A. Baldwin.	101917
4	3	Ellen J. Nabor.	122321
5	3	Abbie C. Morse.	101816
6	3	Edna M. Barber.	8541
7	3	Miss E. R. Smith.	94437
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11	3	Anna M. Nichols.	12653
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TABULAR VIEW OF WINTER SCHOOLS.

Districts.		NAMES OF TEACHERS.											
1	1	Gertrude D. Kilbourne.....	11	48	42	2	48	48	48	42	48	16	16
2	2	Abbie C. Robbe.....	11	39	28	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39
3	3	Fannie S. Washburn.....	9	69	67	69	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
4	4	James H. Hamill.....	12	16	14	6	16	14	16	8	16	6	6
5	5	Lizzie M. Forbush.....	12	14	12	3	14	8	8	4	8	4	4
6	6	Hattie L. Pettengill.....	10	12	11	11	12	12	10	8	4	4	4
7	7	Florence A. Baldwin.....	6	10	5	10	8	6	4	6	4	6	6
8	8	Miss E. J. Nahor.....	9	27	21	5	27	20	20	6	18	4	4
9	9	Abbie C. Morse.....	10	15	14	3	15	10	12	6	18	2	2
10	10	Edna M. Barber.....	9	5	4	5	5	3	3	3	3	3	3
11	11	Miss E. J. Smith.....	9	27	18	5	27	10	19	7	9	8	8
		Frances E. Chandler.....	11	5	3	8	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
		Anna M. Nichols.....	12	6	5	5	6	4	4	2	4	2	4
			Number of weeks.										
			Number of scholars.										
			Average attendance.										
			Pupils in Reading and Spelling.										
			Penmanship.										
			Arithmetic.										
			Grammar.										
			Geography.										
			History.										
			Composition.										
			Other Studies.										
			Visits by S. S. Committee.	12	5	31	5	31	5	31	5	31	5
			Visits by Prudential Committee.	12	5	31	5	31	5	31	5	31	5
			Visits by others.	12	5	31	5	31	5	31	5	31	5
			Wages of Teacher per month.	12	5	31	5	31	5	31	5	31	5

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL.

High School in account with the town of Peterboro'.

DR.

To money on hand March 1, 1878,	\$ 480 00
Received of town,	1200 00
Received for tuition and diplomas,	49 00
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	\$1729 00

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By salaries of teachers,	1060 66
Rent and repairs of building,	107 37
Care of school and incidentals,	65 27
Money on hand,	495 70
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	\$1729 00

GEO. DUSTAN, For Committee.

TOWN LIBRARY REPORT.

Books reported last year,	3839
Books purchased	33
	<hr/> 3872
Thrown out as worthless,	13
	<hr/> 3859

NEW BOOKS ADDED.

Farm Yard Club of Jotham. G. B. Loring.	20-6-25
Handy Book of Husbandry.	20-6-24
Kingsley, Charles, Life of	24-5-7
Quiet Life, Memorials of. A. J. Hare.	24-5-8
Sumner, Charles, Life of. E. L. Pierce.	24-2-19, 20
Echoes from the Mist-Land. A. Forestier.	17-6-24
Phantasmion. Sara Coleridge.	17-6-25
Anatomy of Melancholy. R. Burton.	10-4-41, 43
Back Log Studies. C. D. Warner.	11-7-17
Bacon, Francis, Works of.	10-4-39, 40
Dress Reform.	11-7-16
Greenbank's Library.	10-7-26
G. T. T. E. E. Hale.	11-7-17
Monday Chats. Sainte Beuve.	10-4-44
Putnam's Magazine.	10-3-32, 33
Shady Side.	11-7-15
Star Papers. H. W. Beecher.	10-4-45
England, History of, in 18th Century. W. E. Lecky.	23-4-11, 12
English People, History of. J. R. Green.	23-4-7, 8
Europe, Democracy in. T. E. May.	23-4-9, 10
American Explorers. T. W. Higginson.	14-7-30
Viking Tales of the North.	19-4-23
Angel World. P. J. Bailey.	12-6-8
Course of Time. R. Pollok.	12-6-6
Cowper, William, Poems of.	12-6-7
Eternal Hope. F. W. Farrar.	18-6-33
Preaching, Lectures on. Phillips Brooks.	18-5-32
Christ, Life of. F. W. Farrar.	18-4-27
Ancient America. John D. Baldwin.	7-7-18
Rome, Walks in. A. J. Hare,	8-2-3
Russia. D. M. Wallace.	8-2-2

BOOKS THROWN OUT.

Trumps.	Brake Up.
Seven Sketches from our Parish.	Cringle and Crosstree.
Earl's Heirs.	Work and Win.
Griffith Gaunt.	Haste and Waste.
The Clever Woman of the Family.	The Dorcas Club.
Breaking Away.	The Three Scouts.
Freaks of Fortune.	

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year,	\$ 10 06
Appropriation for 1878,	115 00
Fines,	16 69

\$141 75

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for books,	\$62 52
Repair of books,	47 60
Covering paper,	5 06
C. A. Jaquith & Co., oil, etc.,	1 21
J. H. Steele, for stationery,	1 30
U. S. & C. Express,	1 50
For travel,	4 00
Packing box,	25
Other incidentals,	1 83

\$125 27

Balance,

16 48

GEO. DUSTAN, }
 A. W. JACKSON, } Library Committee.
 F. G. CLARKE, }

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1879.

MONEY PLACED IN HANDS OF TREASURER BY SELECTMEN.

Money in treasurer's hands, March 1, 1878,	\$1,178 60
Amount of tax list,	19,848 86
Amount of dog tax,	75 00
Savings Bank tax,	3,231 44
Railroad tax,	19 13
Literary fund,	119 51
Insurance tax,	111 00
Rent of J. R. Miller to Jan. 1, 1879,	206 25
Rent of T. D. Winch to Jan. 1, 1879,	200 00
Rent of Chas. A. Jaquith to March 1, 1879,	200 00
Rent of upper hall,	52 00
Rent of town hall to March 1,	50 50
Grass sold in new cemetery,	5 00
Received from poor farm,	262 50
Cash of collector,	2,776 03
Sale of cemetery lots,	289 00
Borrowed money,	8,000 00
Bonds sold,	47,000 00
Circus,	20 00
O. A. Willey, use of hearse,	9 25
Relief on J. G. Fish's suit,	19 54
Abatement from state,	600 00
Abatement, county tax,	449 30
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	\$84,722 91

THEOPHILUS P. AMES, Collector, in account with the Selectmen.

DR.

To list of uncollected taxes for 1877,	\$1,418 70
To list of uncollected dog tax,	53 00
To list of poll and non-resident taxes, 1878,	698 00
To list of dog taxes, 1878,	23 00
To interest,	5 74
To list of taxes taken from treasurer Dec. 1,	2,673 84
To list of dog tax from treasurer Dec. 1,	22 00
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	\$4,902 28

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By cash paid treasurer,	\$2,776 03	
By abatements,	159 42	
By discount at 7 and 5 per cent.,	17 66	
By Wm. Russell's note,	19 99	
By Horatio Nelson's note,	15 42	
By commission on taxes collected,	127 72	
By uncollected taxes,	1,744 04	
By uncollected dog tax,	32 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,902 28

SCHOOLS.

George Dustan, High School,	\$1,200 00	
Michael Meegan,	85 00	
Charles Barber,	32 00	
B. W. Crosby,	45 00	
A. A. Farnsworth,	50 00	
John R. Miller,	250 00	
T. Haskell,	65 00	
C. Wilder,	65 00	
J. C. Nay,	32 00	
J. Q. Adams,	40 00	
C. Wilder,	66 85	
C. H. Varnum,	42 50	
T. Haskell,	100 00	
J. R. Miller,	325 00	
J. C. Nay,	46 45	
A. A. Farnsworth,	98 30	
C. H. Varnum,	43 91	
J. Q. Adams,	52 14	
T. Haskell,	85 10	
C. Barber,	47 40	
B. W. Crosby,	88 71	
M. Meegan,	86 35	
E. B. Cavender, town of Hancock,	3 98	
John S. Stearns, Dist. No. 10,	58 60	
John R. Miller for Dist. No. 1,	338 67	
	<hr/>	\$3,347 96

LIBRARY.

G. A. Lynch,	\$100 00	
Clark & Jackson, Com.,	115 00	
D. M. White, insurance,	20 25	
J. A. Hovey, wood,	5 25	
Chas. E. Jaquith,	4 47	
C. H. Brooks,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$249 97

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Peterboro' Savings Bank, interest,	\$ 12 00	
Geo. Thompson's note and interest,	1,050 00	
Sarah A. Starrett, interest,	21 50	
Wm. R. Pierce, interest,	108 33	
	<hr/>	\$1191 83

HIGHWAYS.

Alvah Ames,	\$6 00
F. A. Tarbell,	25 80
G. W. Ames,	30 14
D. Osborn,	25 00
B. F. Bailey & Son,	32 64
H. Knight,	60 55
W. H. Wilder,	25 00
C. H. Varnum,	53 24
I. A. Spofford,	65 00
W. H. Wilson,	29 68
Wm. Moore,	62 25
W. H. Wilson,	25 00
G. H. Collins,	35 00
C. Wilder,	45 00
G. W. Ames,	10 72
J. Cragin,	75 00
Maney & McCarty,	3 50
W. L. Baldwin,	27 90
F. Field,	76 69
A. Townsend,	100 00
B. W. Crosby,	27 24
I. A. Spofford,	20 00
J. Smiley,	45 00
D. Osborn,	20 00
T. Little,	20 00
J. Cragin,	50 00
H. Knight,	32 85
J. Parker,	22 63
C. Barber,	40 55
G. W. Ames,	12 00
C. Nelson, concrete,	99 60
W. H. Wilder,	9 78
C. H. Brooks,	2 70
W. Freeman,	11 00
J. D. Diamond,	3 00
S. D. Robbe,	24 00
Wm. D. Goss,	8 35
B. Hamill,	12 00
I. A. Spofford,	13 67
A. A. Sawyer,	4 20
James Smiley,	13 75
C. Wilder,	19 72
G. W. Ames,	20 00
W. H. Wilson,	2 43
F. A. Tarbell,	7 20
Shedd Brothers,	33 94
W. L. Baldwin,	14 50
T. Little,	14 00
J. Cragin,	25 00
G. H. Collins,	7 26
I. A. Spofford,	41 00
B. W. Crosby,	29 71
F. Field,	14 68
J. Clement,	23 62
A. Townsend,	34 80
R. H. Wilder,	75 00
C. H. Varnum,	9 40
H. Knight,	10 00
G. W. Ames,	5 50
C. Edwin Jaquith,	1 90

D. M. McClenning,	3 13	
G. W. Farrar,	3 18	
John M. Collins, 1877 and 1878,	1 65	
James Smiley,	4 12	
B. F. Bailey & Son,	26 75	
C. H. Brooks,	15 75	
A. Fuller,	8 22	
	<hr/>	\$1758 86

PUBLIC WATERING TROUGH.

John Gates, for spring,	\$50 00	
T. J. Maney, labor,	46 83	
J. Regan, labor,	12 77	
Samuel Converse, land damage,	20 00	
A. Fuller, pipe,	149 21	
P. McLaughlin, labor,	34 85	
S. I. Vose, time and labor,	12 50	
A. B. Emery, stone and labor,	14 00	
C. E. Jaquith, box, trough, &c.,	47 23	
D. Smiley, nozzle, &c.,	3 50	
A. Townsend, team and labor,	12 15	
Nichols Brothers,	93	
G. W. Farrar,	9 60	
A. Fuller,	4 35	
	<hr/>	\$417 92

RETURNING BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

J. H. Cutler,	\$ 6 00	
W. D. Chase,	13 25	
M. A. Kimball,	75	
	<hr/>	\$20 00

BRIDGES AND RAILING.

D. O'Keefe,	\$2 25	
W. H. H. Pritchard,	5 62	
D. O'Keefe,	14 31	
J. Regan,	8 85	
T. O'Driscoll,	10 12	
B. W. Crosby,	25 97	
B. F. Bailey & Son,	16 50	
A. Fuller,	9 68	
Chas. Wilder,	19 70	
G. W. Ames,	18 16	
J. F. Varnum,	5 00	
A. B. Emery,	11 00	
Henry Knight,	7 00	
Chas. Wilder,	9 76	
W. H. Wilson,	7 50	
G. P. Felt,	14 60	
W. H. Scott,	5 00	
S. W. Vose,	8 71	
Augustus Smith,	5 37	
I. A. Spofford,	4 75	

P. McLaughlin,	6 16	
G. W. Ames,	5 00	
J. N. Thayer,	6 37	
Wm. H. Wilson,	25 83	
John M. Mears,	2 52	
John Cragin,	18 00	
C. E. Jaquith,	18 55	
Alvin Townsend,	9 55	
F. A. Twitchell	13 00	
Joel T. Brackett,	8 50	
Henry Knight,	1 50	
G. W. Farrar,	6 88	
G. W. Marden,	4 80	
William Moore,	4 00	
T. P. Ames, plank of Russell.	60 45—	\$400 96

FOOT BRIDGE.

D. O. Keefe,	\$107 99	
Charles Wilder,	14 86	
A. T. Hovey,	20 75	
S. S. Hardy,	53 64	
J. Regan,	15 50	
T. O'Driscoll,	11 87	
G. W. Farrar,	26 40	
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SNOW BILLS.

James Smiley,	\$ 9 98	
C. H. Varnum,	23 52	
W. L. Baldwin,	12 92	
John Alexander,	4 12	
Daniel Edes,	11 87	
Isaac Hadley,	5 15	
John O. Nay,	5 74	
Frank Conda,	5 00	
John Cragin,	11 00	
S. D. Robbe,	4 50	
D. Osborn,	2 30	
I. A. Spofford,	7 75	
W. H. Wilson,	5 83	
T. N. Hunt,	1 50	
I. G. Peaslee,	7 25	
Henry Knight,	3 00	
F. Field,	19 38	
A. Fuller,	9 44	
G. W. Ames,	10 12	
Wm. Treadwell,	5 87	
A. M. Kimball,	3 81	
L. Hall,	9 90	
J. D. Diamond,	2 50	
B. W. Crosby,	9 09	
B. Hamill,	4 73	
J. Clement,	5 00	
C. A. Robbe,	3 87	
John McCoy,	1 25	
B. F. Bailey & Son,	6 14	
J. Q. Adams,	2 75	
Wm. S. Treadwell,	75	
	<hr/>	\$216 03

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Henry Buckland,	\$ 10 00	
James M. Saunders,	22 18	
G. W. Farrar,	14 85	
Aquarius Engine Co.,	166 68	
J. F. Noone,	5 45	
F. G. Clarke,	18 75	
John R. Miller,	8 51	
Deluge Fire Co., James Kinlock, clerk,	91 32	
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		\$337 74

STREET LAMPS.

John Rourke,	\$34 56	
John Rourke,	32 75	
A. & W. E. Davis,	29 36	
John Rourke,	31 21	
John Rourke,	24 75	
John Rourke,	28 83	
W. G. Livingston,	24 88	
John Rourke,	24 45	
John Rourke,	21 95	
John Rourke,	21 80	
John Rourke,	21 10	
John Rourke,	24 72	
W. G. Livingston,	13 15	
Thomas Haskell,	43 70	
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		\$373 21

INCIDENTALS.

A. Fuller,	7 97	
A. Fuller,	31 55	
C. H. Brooks, expense in getting relief of State and County tax,	39 25	
Mrs. J. W. Holt, support of watering trough,	3 00	
Mary E. Kimball, support of watering trough,	3 00	
U. S. & C. Express,	1 25	
C. A. Frost, support of watering trough,	2 79	
G. P. Felt,	2 00	
O. A. Willey, glass for hearse,	9 00	
John Rourke,	7 00	
Smith Bros.,	4 71	
H. K. French,	1 00	
C. E. Jaquith,	79	
David Smiley, taking care of town clock,	30 00	
L. Holt, varnishing hearse,	12 00	
E. A. Robbins,	3 32	
O. A. Willey,	20 85	
Unitarian Society, use and ringing bell,	15 00	
W. G. Livingston,	3 57	
Abel Wilder,	3 00	
G. W. Farrar,	6 05	
F. G. Clark,	45 35	
John R. Miller,	1 98	
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		\$254 43

TOWN HOUSE.

Smith Bros.,	6 70	
D. M. White, insurance,	13 50	
F. G. Clarke, insurance,	81 00	
C. E. Jaquith,	50 00	
C. E. Jaquith,	49 30	
A. Fuller,	30 64	
J. Martin, care of hall,	5 00	
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		\$236 14

BOUNTIES ON FOXES AND HAWKS.

S. I. Vose,	\$5 60	
C. H. Brooks,	8 10	
	<hr/>	\$13 70

TOWN OFFICERS.

Geo. Dustan, Superintending School Committee,	\$ 60 00	
W. G. Livingston, auditor 1877-8,	10 00	
M. L. Morrison, auditor, 1877-8,	10 00	
James Scott, auditor, 1877-8,	10 00	
Wm. Moore, services as selectman,	39 00	
Samuel I. Vose, " "	69 75	
Charles H. Brooks, services as selectman,	81 14	
Owen A. Willey, sexton, " "	158 00	
Samuel I. Vose, selectman,	75 00	
Wm. Moore, selectman,	78 50	
Samuel I. Vose, " "	57 40	
John H. Steele, town clerk,	54 19	
Chas. Scott, chief police,	20 00	
S. N. Porter, treasurer,	100 00	
Wm. Moore, selectman,	14 40	
C. H. Brooks, selectman,	128 30	
	<hr/>	\$965 68

WALL AT GRANITE BRIDGE.

C. H. Brooks,	\$150 00	
Chas. Wilder,	17 50	
Asa Davis, for stone,	30 00	
C. H. Brooks,	153 47	
C. H. Brooks, services,	10 00	
G. W. Farrar,	15 91	
	<hr/>	\$376 88

STATIONERY AND PRINTING.

Farnum & Scott,	70 75	
J. A. Cummings, printing bonds,	80 00	
Farnum & Scott,	23 50	
J. A. Cummings, check book,	5 00	
Farnum & Scott,	15 25	
J. H. Steele,	16 55	
	<hr/>	\$211 05

POOR.

A. Fuller,	\$265 95
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POOR FARM.

F. G. Clark, insurance,	\$ 32 50	
J. Clement, salary for year 1877,	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$332 50

ABATEMENTS MADE.

Treasurer,	\$56 07
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RECAPITULATION.

High School,	\$1,200 00
Schools,	2,147 96
Library,	249 97
Interest and notes,	1,191 83
Highways,	1,758 89
Watering trough,	417 92
Returning births and deaths,	20 00
Bridges and railing,	400 96
Foot bridge,	251 01
Snow bills,	216 03
Street lamps,	377 21
Incidentals,	254 43
Town house,	236 14
Wall by granite bridge,	376 88
Stationery and printing,	211 05
Poor,	265 95
Poor farm,	332 50
Bounties,	13 70
Town officers,	965 68
Fire department,	337 74
Abatements made treasurer,	56 07
	<hr/> \$11,281 92

ABATEMENTS.

To S. N. Porter, treasurer, on taxes.

Joseph McCoy estate,	\$ 5 78
Jacob Longley,	10 85
Polly Laws,	1 55
B. L. Winn,	1 55
Mrs. Fannie Carter,	3 00
Anstiss Carter,	3 00
A. J. Gordon,	78
Asa Twitchell,	44
	<hr/> \$26 95

After taxes were paid

Henry Knight,	\$ 5 42
Amzi Childs,	8 75
Betsey Washburn,	13 95
Hiram McCeoy,	1 00
	<hr/> \$29 12
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Abatements made to T. P. Ames, Collector:

Jeremiah O'Driscoll, 1874,	\$ 1 49	John S. Gray,	1 36
Abner Wealcome, 1874,	2 74	John Lindsey,	1 36
T. O'Driscoll, 1875,	1 46	Edward F. Madden,	1 36
E. Camfill, 1876,	1 36	Eugene F. Perkins,	1 36
Gilbert Butcher,	1 36	Nathan Potter,	1 36
Jonathan Ames,	1 36	John C. Richardson,	1 36
John Bolio,	1 36	John C. Roberts,	1 36
David Crowley,	1 36	George E Roberts,	1 36
John H. Dailey,	1 36	Wm. E. Shattuck,	1 36
Kirn Dailey,	1 36	Mrs. C. S. Gray,	1 96
Wm. Earle,	5 51	R. B. Hatch,	2 05
John J. Foster,	1 36	E. T. Hornblower,	2 74
James Griffin,	1 00	James Mitchell,	2 74

John McKeen,	2 06	Henry Marble,	1 55
Joseph Woods,	1 37	Henry E. Osborn,	1 55
Jenness Walker,	1 37	Wm. Pickford,	3 55
Lydia Bullard,	5 48	Thomas Peasley,	1 55
Willis A. Farnsworth,	1 37	Walter Scott,	1 55
Martin E. Field,	1 37	Oliver Young,	1 55
Conrad Naglie,	1 67	Benj. Eastman,	1 00
Wm. R. Nichols,	1 37	Amidon & Lane,	3 83
Herbert N. Ollis,	1 37	Alvah Puffer, 1875,	6 22
Fred E. Bragdon,	1 37	George Steele, 1877,	16 14
Mrs. Betsey Sweatt, 1878,	5 48	Mary Howe, 1878,	3 87
Frank E. Bailey,	1 55	Lydia Bullard,	6 20
George R. Senter,	1 55	Benj. Crosby,	2 00
Mark Doyle,	1 55	John Cochran, 1876,	1 36
Fife girls,	4 65	James W. Due,	1 36
Wm. T. Gould,	6 98	Oliver Heald,	1 36
E. T. Hornblower,	3 10	Wm. Holden, 1877	1 37
John Hurley,	1 55	F. P. Steele,	1 37
Freeman J. Kimball,	1 55	Levi Young,	1 36
Murray Leighton,	1 55	Wm. W. Spofford,	1 36
Mrs. Charles Methley,	3 10		
James Mitchell,	3 10		
			\$159 42

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN MARCH 1, 1879.

Old Town Bonds,	\$30,000 00	
Interest on same, 6 per cent.,	300 00	
New Town Bonds,	47,000 00	
Interest on same, 5 per cent.,	391 66	
Borrowed money,	860 00	
Interest on same,	7 17	
Jackson Clement's salary,	300 00	
Outstanding Coupons,	588 50	
Superintending School Committee,	60 00	
Railroad bonds not presented,	500 00	
		\$80,007 33

ASSETS.

Uncollected Tax List,	\$1,744 04	
Dog Tax,	32 00	
Money in Treasury,	3,971 43	
United States Bounties,	1,178 34	
Town House,	16,000 00	
Poor Farm,	3,600 00	
Stock on same,	1,119 00	
New Town Bonds,	1,000 00	
Interest on same,	8 33	
		28,653 14
Balance against Town,		\$51,344 19

CHARLES H. BROOKS, } Selectmen
WILLIAM MOORE, } of
_____ } Peterboro'.

At the Annual Town Meeting of March 12, 1878, the following sums of money were voted:

	Raised.	Expended.
High School, {		\$1200 00
Schools, }	\$3391 50	2147 96
Library,	115 00	249 97
Interest on Town Debt,	4400 00	
Highways,	1600 00	1758 89
Snow Bills,	500 00	216 03
Bridges and Railings,	500 00	400 96
Street Lamps,	350 00	377 21
Fire Department,	400 00	337 74
Incidentals,	2000 00	
To diminish Town Debt,	2500 00	Nothing.
State Tax,	3876 00	
County Tax,	3012 31	
Seven per cent. on above,	1585 12	
Total,	\$24,229 94	

Watering Trough, paid from money in treasury, \$300 00 \$417 92

Total valuation of Town April 1, 1878, \$1,326,020.00. Tax assessed, \$20,553.31. Rate of taxation, \$1.55 on \$100.00. Number of Polls, 536. Valuation of a Poll, \$100.00.

TOWN FARM.

Selectmen in account with Town Farm:

Dr.

* Invoice of Farm, Stock, &c., Feb. 1, 1878:

Farm,	\$3600 00	
Stock, tools, &c.,	2650 41	
Jackson Clement's salary, 1878,	300 00	
Taxes,	58 62	
Received for produce, stock, &c.,	947 23	
		\$7556 26

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Farm, Feb. 1, 1879,	\$3600 00	
Stock,	1119 00	
Hay and fodder,	318 00	
Produce and provisions,	456 91	
Furniture,	188 68	
Tools,	338 50	
Debts due Farm,	76 94	
Paid for labor, produce, stock, provisions, &c.,	684 73	
Cash paid Treasurer,	262 50	
		\$7045 26
Balance against Farm,		\$511 00

CHARLES H. BROOKS, } Selectmen
 WILLIAM MOORE, } of
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TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.

Received balance from 1878,	\$ 1,178 60
From selectmen,	56,025 04
From collector,	2,776 03
Savings bank tax,	3,231 44
Railroad tax,	19 13
Literary fund,	119 51
Insurance tax,	111 00
Cemetery lots,	289 00
Abatement county tax,	449 30
Abatement State tax,	600 00
Tax list for 1878,	19,848 86
Dog tax for 1878,	75 00
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	84,722 91

Cr.

By paid county tax,	\$ 3,012 31
State tax,	3,876 00
Orders of selectmen,	11,225 85
Interest coupons,	4,240 00
Bonds,	27,900 00
Discount on taxes collected at 7 per cent.,	988 22
Discount on taxes collected at 5 per cent.,	146 66
Taxes abated at 7 per cent.,	26 51
Taxes abated at 5 per cent.,	44
Paid interest,	71 50
Abatements,	29 12
Paid notes and interest,	25,539 03
Taxes uncollected Dec. 16th,	2,673 84
Dog taxes uncollected Dec. 16th,	22 00
Bonds on hand,	1,000 00
Cash on hand to balance,	3,971 43
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	\$84,722 91

Taxes collected to Sept. 1, at 7 per cent.,	14,144 08
Taxes collected to Dec. 1, at 5 per cent.,	2,933 73
Taxes collected on account,	97 21
Taxes uncollected Dec. 16, and transferred to selectmen,	2,673 84

\$19,848 86

Dog tax collected,	53 00
Dog tax uncollected and transferred to selectmen,	22 00

\$75 00

SAMUEL N. PORTER, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

A. FULLER, in account with Town.

DR.

Cash on hand March 1, 1878,	\$ 28 25	
Cash of treasurer,	265 95	
	<u> </u>	\$294 20

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For keeping 333 Tramps,	\$83 25	
Paid for J. Longley Spofford,	96 20	
Rent of Tramp House,	5 00	
A. W. Bingham,	40 13	
Albert Hadley,	19 50	
Charles S. Gray, at Reform School,	37 44	
Repairs on Tramp House,	12 63	
Cash on hand,	05	
	<u> </u>	\$294 20

A. FULLER, OVERSEER OF POOR.

We, the undersigned, auditors of accounts, have this day examined the foregoing accounts of the Treasurer, Selectmen, Collector, Overseer of the Poor, Selectmen's Report on Town Farm, High School Committee, and Committee on Town Library, and find them fully vouched and correctly cast.

JAMES SCOTT,	} Auditors.
M. L. MORRISON,	
W. G. LIVINGSTON,	

Peterborough, N. H., March 7, 1879.